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MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA ON THE OCCASION OF THE INAUGURAL FUNCTION OF THE TRAVANCORE & COCHIN UNION.

Government House,
New Delhi.

The ancient States of Travancore and Cochin are now united under a single government with the illustrious Ruler of Travancore as the first Raj Pramukh. Southern Kerala is now formally and constitutionally knit together and becomes an integral part of Free India, sharing the greatness and the responsibilities of our common Motherland. On this happy occasion I have the privilege and the pleasure of sending my best wishes to the Raj Pramukh His Highness Sri Rama Varma Maharaja Bahadur and to the people and the Government of united Tekkukerala both on my own behalf and on behalf of the people and Government of India. The Rulers and the people of both Travancore and Cochin have always shown their capacity and determination in furthering progress in civic, social, political and other spheres. I have no doubt the progress will continue unbroken under the new united administration and the Government and the people of Tekkukerala will demonstrate that enlarged responsibilities may be discharged without giving room for local jealousies and suspicions. The Rulers as well as the representatives and citizens of each area should consider it an honour and a privilege to safeguard and further the prosperity of the other area. There should be a noble rivalry in this respect, rather than a balancing of forces of self-interest. It is here that the principles and methods of thought and action taught by our departed leader and preceptor can come into action distinguishing the ideals of India from the practices of other peoples. I may take this opportunity to express my own and the Government of India's deep gratitude and appreciation of the prompt and generous manner in which the people and the Ruler of Cochin State have helped to achieve this union and integration involving a degree of self-effacement. The spirit of the ancient Chera Kings would watch with joy and bless this reunion and rejuvenation of their people and inspire them to face the complex problems of the present times. May Sri Padmanabha who, through the Ruler of Travancore, threw the doors of His shrine open to the lowly and the depressed and showed the way to the rest of India, continue to bless the new administration in all its endeavours. May I ask finally for the benedictions of the mothers of Kerala on this great adventure.

C. RAJAGOPALACHARIAR.

MESSAGE FROM THE HON'BLE THE PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA.

On the occasion of the inauguration of the Union of Travancore and Cochin I send my best wishes to you and to the people of these two States for their continued prosperity. Travancore and Cochin have for long been among the foremost States in South India, reputed to be models of administration, particularly in the field of education. Their Rulers have also been noted for their patronage of Kerala Art and Literature. I have no doubt that their union, which is a historic event in South India, will bring bigger opportunities and greater prosperity to their people.

New Delhi,
27th June 1949.

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU.

MESSAGE FROM

THE HON'BLE THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA.

On the inauguration of the United State of Travancore and Cochin I send to your Highness and through you to the people of Travancore and Cochin my best wishes for peace, prosperity and happiness. These ancient States enshrine Hindu traditions and culture. At the same time, their modern administration and enlightened policies are a shining example of the wonderful adaptability and elasticity of the social and political systems which have developed under the fostering care of the two ruling dynasties. Not only the two peoples, but India as a whole takes pride in the happy event which is being celebrated today, for it marks the culminating point of the policy of consolidation of States, which was inaugurated by me more than eighteen months ago and which with the co-operation and assistance of the Rulers and the support and consent of the peoples of the States it has been my proud privilege to implement. It has also been my unique pleasure to find among the Princes and the people a willingness to make sacrifices in the cause of the country, that sense of public duty which only true patriots can exhibit and that realisation of the urgency and pre-eminence of country's interests which call forth the best and the truest in human beings. The Rulers of Travancore and Cochin, the two Premiers and their colleagues, and the local Congress organisations have given, by this act of union, an unmistakable proof of these virtues and the complete unity of purpose and devotion to duty thus symbolised by them are a happy augury for the success of this unique enterprise. May Providence shower its blessings on the new Union and make the people prove themselves worthy of this act of sacrifice and public weal on the part of their Rulers.

2. The distance of Delhi is proverbial. It is unfortunately as much a historical as a geographical fact, but I can assure His Highness the Raj Pramukh and the people of the new Union that all of us will watch the future of the Union with constant care and attention and will render every assistance that the new Union may need in the realisation of its aspirations and fulfilment of its destiny. We are mindful of its vast potentialities and cognisant of its resources and requirements. Whenever a call comes to us from the Government or the people of the Union we shall do our best to help them to satisfy their legitimate needs. India today is passing through a great formative period. We shall make or mar our future during the next decade. During this period India's strength and stability would depend on the strength and toughness of its every link. It is in this sense that the need of the hour is consolidation and unity and it is in this objective that lies the justification for the policy of integration and democratisation in the States. I cannot, therefore, commend to the people of the new Union any better precept than that while pursuing the course of their own prosperity and well-being they will take into account their superior obligation to the interests of the country as a whole. May God make them proud citizens of their country and worthy inhabitants of their State.

VALLABHBHAI PATEL.

SPEECH BY HIS HIGHNESS THE RAJ PRAMUKH

Mr. Menon, Ladies and Gentlemen,

On this occasion of the inauguration of the United State of Travancore and Cochin, I feel it appropriate to call upon the people of Travancore and Cochin to forget all their territorial and other differences and work together with mutual understanding and goodwill. The prosperity and progress of the State will largely depend on the co-operation of the people and I am sure that such co-operation will be forthcoming from all concerned in abundant measure. I wish to take this opportunity to thank His Excellency the Governor-General, the Prime Minister of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and His Highness the Maharaja of Cochin for their kind messages and I hope that we shall always have their help and goodwill.

SPEECH BY SRI V. P. MENON, ADVISER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, STATES MINISTRY.

I must in the first place convey to Your Highness and to all of you, ladies and gentlemen, the sincere regret of Sardar Patel, that he is unable to be present today at this historic occasion. No one knows more than myself how much he would have liked to be present on this occasion: circumstances have prevented this, but his heart is here now as all of you must have gathered from the message he has so kindly sent. It is his intention to visit the Union at the earliest possible opportunity, possibly at the end of August or the beginning of September.

The Union of Cochin and Travancore is no more than formal coming together of the two States that have been and are basically one. Geographically, the two States form one compact area; their people are the same and share the same traditions. Owing to the accidents of history, these two States have been kept separately, but no one can deny that this has hampered the progress of this region. Here, as elsewhere in the country, the separate existence of small units has hampered the free growth of trade and commerce, and many of the social and economic ills of the country are due to this separatism. Culturally too, we have suffered on this account. India, our Motherland, has a great future but we all of us have to build up that future as integral parts of one country. Shortsightedness and narrow local selfish interests cannot be permitted to stand in the way of the common good of the people.

The formation of the United State of Travancore and Cochin marks the end of one phase of the Union of India—the work of integration that was started by the Ministry of State about 18 months ago. We are now entering the second phase, namely, the consolidation of the work already achieved. I have no doubt that the United State of Travancore and Cochin will occupy a foremost place in this endeavour.

Under democratic rule, it is the right of the people to review the work of their representatives at periodical intervals: but it is also the obligation of the people that once they have elected their leaders they should extend the fullest co-operation to them. We have now to forget that we belong to this side of the State or that side of the State or to this section or to that interest. There is only one United State and if that State is to be made prosperous, the condition precedent is that the people of the United State should fully co-operate with the Government and work for the common good of the common people. This Union has got great potentialities in agricultural and industrial development: and work done in this direction will lead to the prosperity of the Indian Union whose citizens we all are. With your

support and co-operation I have no doubt that your new Premier and his colleagues whose sole aim is to make the Union a success will weld the United State into one flourishing and prosperous unit of the Indian Union.

Finally, I would like on behalf of the Government of India and on my own behalf to convey to Your Highness, to you the Premier and to your colleagues and to the people of the Union the very best wishes for a happy and prosperous future.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATE OF TRAVANCORE AND COCHIN.

ROC. No. 1177 (1)/49/Pol.

Government are pleased to order that all officers who were in the service of the Government of Travancore or the Government of Cochin immediately prior to the 1st day of July 1949 will continue in the service of the United State with effect from 1st July 1949 until otherwise ordered.

൧൯൪൯ ജൂലൈ ൧-ാം തീയതിക്കു തൊട്ടുമുമ്പു തിരുവിതാംകൂർ ഗവൺമെന്റിന്റെയോ, കൊച്ചി ഗവൺമെന്റിന്റെയോ സർവ്വീസിൽ ഇരുന്നിരുന്ന എല്ലാ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരും, മറ്റുവിധം ഉത്തരവാകുന്നതുവരെ, ൧൯൪൯ ജൂലൈ ൧-ാം തീയതി മുതൽ ഐക്യസംസ്ഥാനസർവ്വീസിൽ തുടരുന്നതാണെന്ന് ഗവൺമെന്റ് ഉത്തരവായിരിക്കുന്നു.

1949 ஜூலை 1-ம் தேதிக்கு அடுத்து முன்பு திருவிதாங்கூர் கவர்மெண்டு அல்லது கொச்சி கவர்ன்மெண்டு சேவகம் செய்து வந்த எல்லா உத்தியோகஸ்தர்களும், வேறுவிதம் கட்டளையிடும் வரையில், 1949 ஜூலை 1-ம் தேதி முதல் ஐக்கிய ஸ்தானத்தின் சேவையில் தொடர்வார்களென்று கவர்ன்மெண்டார் கட்டளையிடுகிறார்கள்.

(By Order)

Huzur Cutcherry,
Trivandrum, 3rd July 1949.

C. KUMARA DAS,
Chief Secretary to Government.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATE OF TRAVANCORE AND COCHIN.

ROC. No. 1177/2/49/Pol.

Government are pleased to appoint Sri. N. Chandrasekharan Nair as the Inspector General of Police of the United State of Travancore and Cochin.

Under Section 6 of the United State of Travancore and Cochin Administration and Application of Laws Ordinance, 1124 (I of 1124), Government are further pleased to direct that he shall exercise the powers and perform the functions vested in the Inspector General of Police, Travancore State, and the Commissioner of Police, Cochin State, under the existing law of Travancore and the existing law of Cochin as defined in the said Ordinance.

ശ്രീ. എൻ. ചന്ദ്രശേഖരൻനായരെ തിരുവിതാംകൂർ കൊച്ചി ഐക്യസംസ്ഥാനത്തിന്റെ പോലീസ് ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർ ജനറൽ ആയി ഗവൺമെന്റ് നിയമിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു.

അദ്ദേഹം, (൧൧൨൪-ലെ ൧-ാമത്തെ) ൧൧൨൪-ലെ തിരുവിതാംകൂർ കൊച്ചി ഐക്യസംസ്ഥാന നിയമങ്ങളുടെ ഭരണവും പ്രയോഗവും സംബന്ധിച്ചുള്ള ഓർഡിനൻസിൽ നിർവചിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളപ്രകാരം, തിരുവിതാംകൂറിൽ നിലവിലിരിക്കുന്ന നിയമവും കൊച്ചിയിൽ നിലവിലിരിക്കുന്ന നിയമവും അനുസരിച്ച് തിരുവിതാംകൂർ സംസ്ഥാനത്തിലെ പോലീസ് ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർ ജനറലിലും കൊച്ചി സംസ്ഥാനത്തിലെ പോലീസ് കമ്മീഷണരിലും നിക്ഷിപ്തമായ അധികാരങ്ങൾ വിനിയോഗിക്കുകയും ചുമതലകൾ നിർവ്വഹിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യേണ്ടതാണെന്നുകൂടി പ്രസ്തുത ഓർഡിനൻസിന്റെ ൬-ാം വകുപ്പിൻപ്രകാരം ഗവൺമെന്റ് നിർദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നു.

ஸ்ரீ N. சந்திரசேகரன் நாயரை திருவிதாங்கூர்—கொச்சி ஐக்கிய சமஸ்தானத்தின் போலீஸ் இன்ஸ்பெக்டர் ஜெனரலாக கவர்ன்மெண்டார் நியமித்துள்ளனர்.

1124-ம் ஆண்டைத்திய திருவிதாங்கூர்—கொச்சி ஐக்கிய சமஸ்தானத்தின் சட்டபரிபாலனமும் பிரயோகமும் குறித்த அவசரச் சட்டத்தின் (1124-ம் ஆண்டைத்ய 1-வது) 6-வது வகுப்பின்படி கவர்ன்மெண்டார், பிரஸ்தாப அவசரச் சட்டத்தில் வரையறுக்கப்பட்டவாறுள்ள நிலவியிருக்கும் திருவிதாங்கூர் சட்டத்தின்படியும் நிலவியிருக்கும் கொச்சி சட்டத்தின்படியும் திருவிதாங்கூர் சமஸ்தானத்தின் போலீஸ் இன்ஸ்பெக்டர் ஜெனரலிடமும் கொச்சி சமஸ்தானத்தின் போலீஸ் கமிஷனரிடமும் சார்ந்திருக்க அதிகாரங்களை அவர் செலுத்தவேண்டுமென்றும் அலுவல்களை அவர் நிறைவேற்றவேண்டுமென்றும் மேலும் கட்டளையிடுகின்றனர்.

(By Order)

Huzur Cutcherry,
Trivandrum, 3rd July 1949.

C. Kumara Das,
Chief Secretary to Government.

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